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### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

On page 1 of the specification, insert the following continuing data below the title:

B1  
This application is a divisional of 09/563,855 filed May 4, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,228,874, which is a continuation of 09/287,167 filed April 6, 1999, now abandoned (6/30/00), which is a continuation of 08/883,040 filed June 26, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,958,961, which is a divisional of 08/351,011 filed December 7, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,721,263 which is a CIP of 08/254,541 filed June 6, 1994, now abandoned.

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Post Allowance Communication

The attached examiner's amendment have been entered in the present application to correct defects identified in the continuation data. The corrected information was provided by applicant after being notified by the examiner.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Deborah C Lambkin whose telephone number is 703-308-4522. The examiner can normally be reached on 9.00-5.30 M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph McKane can be reached on 703-308-4537. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-308-7922 for regular communications and 703-308-7922 for After Final communications.

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